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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I want to let you know that I oppose the item before you which will raise rates, push out small broadband suppliers, and generally decrease service levels and increase the cost to me.

I live in a rural area. My broadband supplier is a one owner shop that provides jobs for local people and provides service immediately. I don't wait for a service person, scheduled for a week from now with an arrival time of between 12 and 5pm.

It is true that my cost is lower than AT&T, Comcast, and other large, nationwide suppliers. And I would suppose that the big companies are not pleased with little guys beating them on price, service levels, and general customer care.

The small, broadband suppliers play a valuable role. For me, shedding AT&T was a magnitude increase in service and cost. Please let people continue to have a choice.

Do not take any action that pushes out small providers, increases costs, and decreases services levels to the people you are mandated to support.

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